

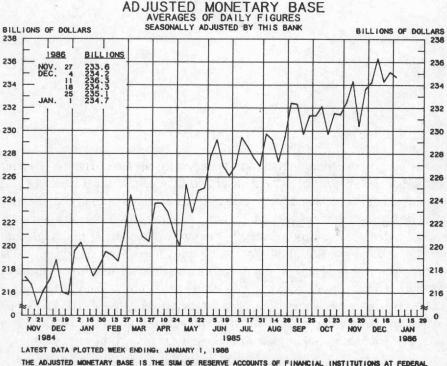
According to the expectations view of the term structure of interest rates, long-term yields mirror expectations about future levels of short-term yields. Since October 1985, long-term interest rates have declined substantially, while short-term rates have remained fairly constant. This is true of yields on both privately issued securities and Treasury issues (see pages 6 and 7). Assuming that there has been no change in the relative risk of long-term securities, the recent decline in rate spreads indicates that market participants have lowered their forecasts of future short-term interest rates.

Interest rates in general are now well below the levels reached in March of last year. By the week ending June 21, after significant declines in both longand short-term rates, the spread between the weekly rates on corporate Aaa bonds and 30-day commercial paper was 373 basis points, nearly unchanged from the 390 point spread that had prevailed in late March. Since late June, short-term rates have risen slightly, while long-term rates have declined further, particularly since mid-October. The rate on commercial paper rose from 7.13 percent in the week ending June 21 to 7.91 percent in the week ending January 3, 1986. In contrast, the Aaa bond rate fluctuated in the neighborhood of 11 percent from mid-June through October, but declined to 9.93 percent by January 3, narrowing the spread over commercial paper to 202 basis points.

-Philip A. Nuetzel



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THE ADJUSTED MONETARY BASE IS THE SUM OF RESERVE ACCOUNTS OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AT FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS, CURRENCY IN CIRCULATION (CURRENCY HELD BY THE PUBLIC AND IN THE VAULTS OF ALL DEPOSITORY INSTITUTIONS) AND AN ADJUSTED MORETARY BASE SOURCE OF THE ADJUSTED MONETARY BASE IS FEDERAL RESERVE CREDIT. DATA ARE COMPUTED BY THIS BANK. A DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE ADJUSTED MONETARY BASE IS AVAILABLE FROM THIS BANK.

RECENT DATA ARE PRELIMINARY.

	OMPOUNDED							
THE AVERAGE				1/3/85	7/31/85	9/4/85	10/2/85	10/30/85
NDING:								
5/29/85 7/3/85 7/31/85 9/4/85 10/2/85 10/30/85 12/4/85 1/1/86	8.0 9.1 8.5 8.3 8.4 7.6 7.7 8.0	10.3 8.9 8.5 8.7 7.5 7.7 8.1	9.6 8.7 8.9 7.2 7.5 8.0	6.0 7.0 5.3 6.1 7.0	8.1 5.5 6.5 7.4	4.6 6.2 7.5	4.8 6.9	10.1

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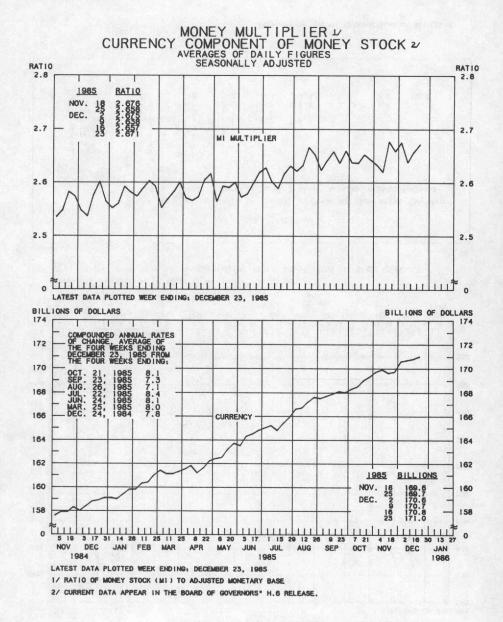
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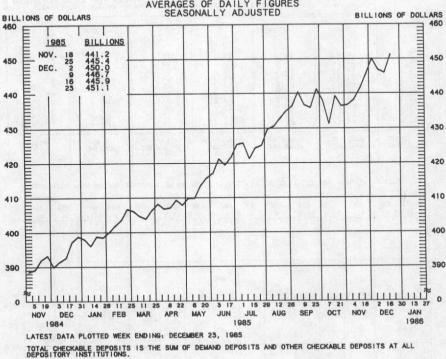


## MI IS THE SUM OF CURRENCY HELD BY THE NONBANK PUBLIC, DEMAND DEPOSITS, OTHER CHECKABLE DEPOSITS AND TRAVELERS CHECKS.

	MONEY STOCK (M1)								
	COMPOUND	ED ANNUA	RATES	OF CHANG	E, AVERA	GE OF FO	UR WEEK	S ENDING:	
	12/24/84	3/25/85	5/20/85	6/24/85	7/22/85	8/26/85	9/23/85	10/21/85	
TO THE AVERA OF FOUR WEEK ENDING:	NGE (S								
5/20/85 6/24/85	10.0 12.3	13.1							
7/22/85 8/26/85	12.3	12.9	17.8	15.8					
9/23/85	13.2	14.1	17.1	15.2	16.5				
10/21/85	12.1	12.4	14.1	11.9	11.7	7.5			
11/25/85	11.6	11.7	12.9	10.8	10.5	7.5	4.8		
12/23/85	12.3	12.6	13.9	12.4	12.4	10.6	9.6	13.3	



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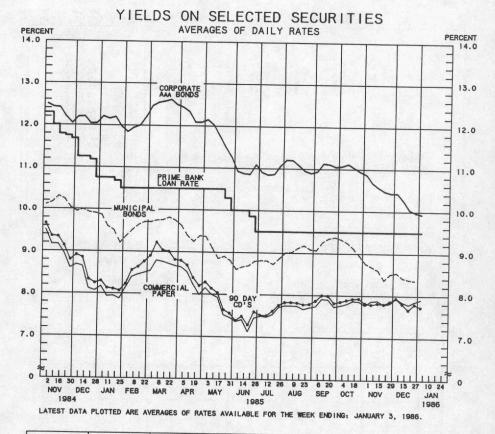


## TOTAL CHECKABLE DEPOSITS AVERAGES OF DAILY FIGURES SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

	TOTAL CHECKABLE DEPOSITS									
	COMPOUNDED ANNUAL RATES OF CHANGE, AVERAGE OF FOUR WEEKS ENDING:									
	12/24/84	3/25/85	5/20/85	6/24/85	7/22/85	8/26/85	9/23/85	10/21/85		
TO THE AVERAGE DF FOUR WEEKS ENDING:	GE S									
5/20/85 6/24/85 7/22/85 8/26/85 9/23/85	11.3 14.2 14.2 15.1 15.3	15.2 15.0 16.3 16.4	21.2 21.1 20.2	17.8 17.6	19.2					
10/21/85 11/25/85 12/23/85	13.9 13.2 14.2	14.1 13.1 14.5	16.3 14.6 16.1	13.3 11.9 14.1	13.0 11.4 14.1	8.4 8.0 12.2	4.2	15.6		

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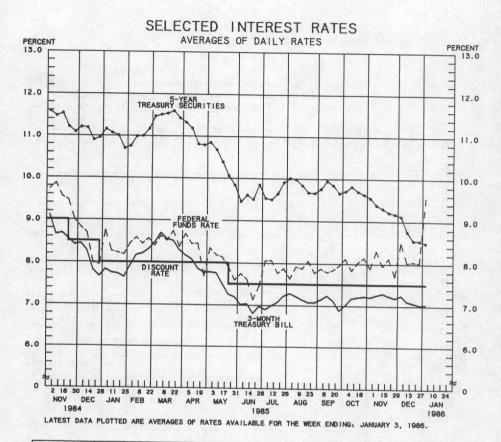
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1986	90 DAY CD"S	30-DAY COMMERCIAL PAPER	90-DAY BANKERS* ACCEPTANCES	CORPORATE AAA BONDS	CORPORATE BAA BONDS	MUNICIPAL BONDS #8#
NOV. 1 8 22 29 DEC. 6 13 20 27 JAN. 3 <b>*</b> 17 24 31	7.82 7.79 7.80 7.86 7.94 7.81 7.67 7.80 7.73	7.77 7.87 7.88 7.79 7.82 7.94 7.85 7.85 7.85 7.86 7.91	7.71 7.70 7.73 7.72 7.73 7.77 7.75 7.67 7.56 7.70 7.66	10.87 10.67 10.56 10.43 10.43 10.26 10.04 9.97 9.93	12.24 12.12 12.02 11.91 11.85 11.87 11.70 11.46 11.36 11.36	8.76 8.68 8.60 8.37 8.51 8.54 8.38 8.36 N.A.

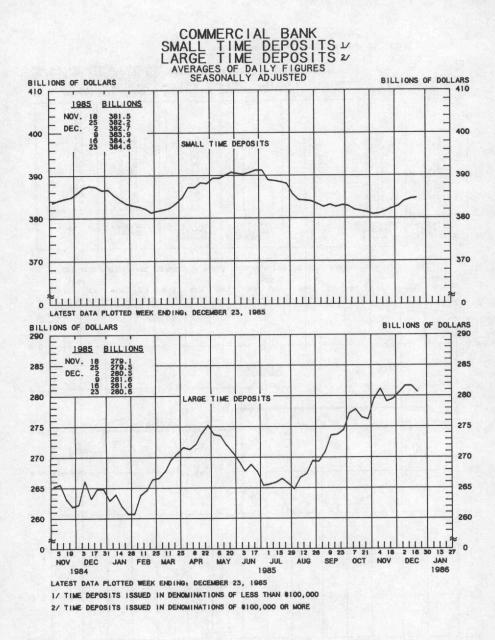
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N.A. - NOT AVAILABLE

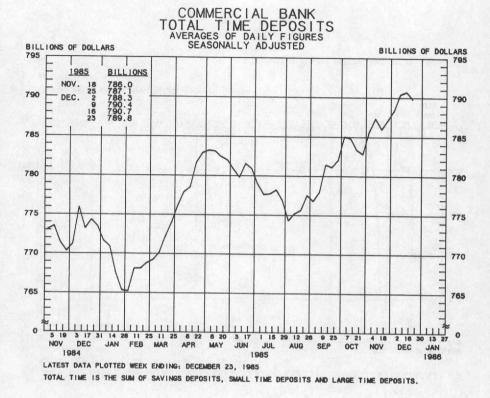


1986	FEDERAL FUNDS NEW	3-MONTH TREASURY BILL	6-MONTH TREASURY BILL MINK	1-YEAR TREASURY BILL	5-YEAR TREASURY SECURITIES	LONG-TERM TREASURY SECURITIES
NOV. 1 8 15 229 DEC. 6 13 20 27 31 17 24 17 24 31	7.89 8.30 7.95 8.13 7.71 8.03 8.05 8.05 8.02 9.55	7.20 7.25 7.29 7.23 7.18 7.24 7.10 7.06 7.02 7.03	7.37 7.30 7.23 7.26 7.26 7.26 7.02 7.02 7.01 7.05 7.07	7.41 7.36 7.34 7.30 7.35 7.13 7.07 7.09 7.11	9.55 9.38 9.21 9.17 9.12 8.76 8.55 8.55 8.54 8.49	10.48 10.31 10.21 10.08 10.05 9.74 9.52 9.43

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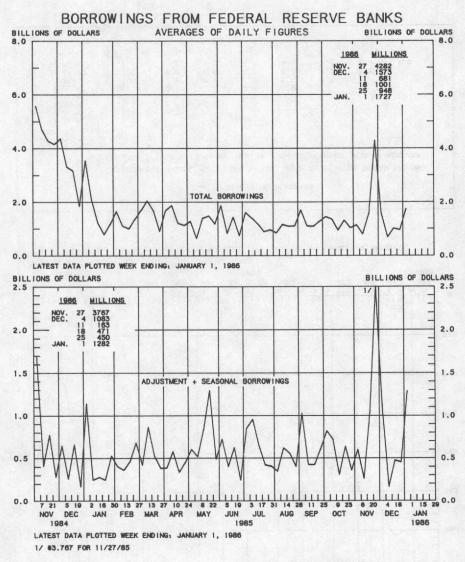


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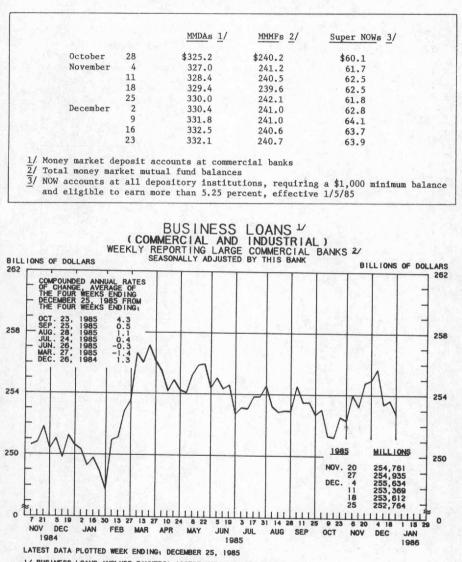
	12/24/84	3/25/85	5/20/85	6/24/85	7/22/85	8/26/85	9/23/85	10/21/85
TO THE AVERA OF FOUR WEEK ENDING:	IGE IS							
5/20/85	3.0							
6/24/85	1.8	5.0						
7/22/85	1.0	2.7	-3.5					
8/26/85	0.4	1.3	-3.4	-3.7				
9/23/85	1.0	2.1	-1.3	-0.8	0.9			
10/21/85	1.6	2.8	0.3	1.2	3.0	7.0		
11/25/85	1.8	2.9	0.9	1.7	3.2	5.7	5.5	
12/23/85	2.1	3.2	1.5	2.3	3.6	5.7	5.5	4.5



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## MMDAS, MMMFS AND SUPER NOWS

(BILLIONS OF DOLLARS, NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)



1/ BUSINESS LOANS INCLUDE BANKERS' ACCEPTANCES AND COMMERCIAL PAPER.

2/ BANKS WITH DOMESTIC ASSETS GREATER THAN \$1.4 BILLION

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